

M.A. PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)

Term-End Examination

December, 2022

MPYE-006 : DALIT PHILOSOPHY

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Answer all the **five** questions. All questions carry equal marks. Answers to Questions no. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.

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1. Develop a philosophical discourse of the Dalits from the historical, social and economic background of the Dalits in India. 20

OR

Evaluate the philosophical outlook of the Dalit religiosity and rituals. 20

2. Illustrate how the Dalits create their pragmatic and constructive counter-symbols of protection of life, production of livelihood and procreation of new life through moral and aesthetic outlook of the Dalits. 20

OR

Examine the scope of Ambedkar's criticism against discriminative and oppressive social structures and religious ideologies for the liberation of Dalits. 20

3. Answer any **two** of the following in about 250 words each :

- (a) Critically analyse the impact, philosophy and liberal globalisation on the life of Dalits. 10
- (b) Evaluate the unique features of the Dalit eschatology and examine their impact on the Dalit life and world view. 10
- (c) Critically analyse the ideas and activities of Medieval Bhakti Movements as sources of egalitarian society. 10
- (d) Examine the rationalist philosophy of E.V.R. Periyar. 10

4. Answer any **four** of the following in about 150 words each :

- (a) Explain universal ethics of Thiruvalluvar on art of living. 5
- (b) Write a short essay on the Dalit contribution to Indian Music and Dance. 5
- (c) Compare the Dalit conditions to that of the subaltern. 5
- (d) Write an observation on the presence of caste system in non-Hindu religions. 5
- (e) How do the Dalit cultural rituals reflect on their social process ? 5
- (f) Explain the process of defacement of the Dalits. 5

5. Write short notes on any *five* of the following in about 100 words each :

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| (a) | Dukkha | 4 |
| (b) | Saktism | 4 |
| (c) | Narayana Guru | 4 |
| (d) | Dehumanization through exclusion | 4 |
| (e) | The Caste Disabilities Removal Act | 4 |
| (f) | Carvaka | 4 |
| (g) | Jainism | 4 |
| (h) | Dalit Understanding of Body | 4 |
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